

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Neil T. Dear

Examiner: S. Swope

Serial No.: 10/009,571

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For:

Novel Calpains and Their Use

Petition for Extension of Time

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant herewith Petitions for a 3-month extension of Time to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed on March 27, 2008 thus extending the due date for response from June 27, 2008 to September 27, 2008. A Request for Continued Examination is being filed herewith. Authorization is given to charge the \$1050.00 fee as well as any other fees to deposit account number 04-2223.

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